

Status: H Env & Energy
Companion Bill: SB 5722
Short Description: Reducing greenhouse gas emissions in buildings.
Lead Division: State Building Code Council
Other Divisions Assigned To: [Facility Professional Services](#)

Your Review

Initial Questions

- ☐
- Bill misassigned to division
- ☒
- Bill doesn't impact Department of Enterprise Services

Review Questions

1. Reviewer Role

What is your role?

☒ Lead division analyst (agency lead)

☐ Support division analyst

2. Bill Summary

2A. What does the bill direct or require DES to do? List and summarize the sections that impact DES.

Section 1: Specifies that the intent of the bill is to extend existing building benchmarking, energy management, and operations and maintenance planning requirements to smaller commercial and multifamily residential buildings in order to assess the needs and opportunities for job creation and incentives and environmental and public health improvements.

Section 2: Modifies several definitions, and adds definitions for "Greenhouse gas-adjusted energy use intensity"; "Tier 1 covered building"; and "Tier 2 covered building".

- "Greenhouse gas-adjusted energy use intensity" means a measurement of energy use intensity in which the energy consumption of a building is adjusted to reflect the greenhouse gas emissions from each energy source used by the building.
- "Tier 1 covered building" means a building where the sum of nonresidential, hotel, motel, and dormitory floor areas are equal to or exceed 50,000 gross square feet, excluding the parking garage area.
- "Tier 2 covered building" means a building where the sum of multifamily residential, nonresidential, hotel, motel, and dormitory floor areas exceeds 20,000 gross square feet, excluding the parking garage area, but does not exceed 50,000 gross square feet. Tier 2 covered buildings also include multifamily buildings where floor 6 areas are equal to or exceed 50,000 gross square feet.

Section 3: A new section to chapter 19.27A RCW, adding additional responsibilities and due dates for the department of ecology related to energy management and benchmarking requirement for tier 2 covered buildings.

Section 4: A new section added to chapter 19.27A RCW, specifying that when developing energy performance standards. the department of commerce may establish targets for greenhouse gas-adjusted energy use intensity to maximize reductions of greenhouse gas emissions from the building sector.

2B. How is this different from what DES currently does?

The bill does not directly affect the SBCC business.

2C. If you know, please explain what issues or concerns prompted this legislation, and if there was similar legislation introduced in the past.

3. Policy/Operational Impacts

3A. Policy and/or operational impacts

- ☐ Major
- ☐ Minor
- ☒ None
- ☐ Uncertain

3B. Describe the operational impacts. These may include changes to existing programs, benefits, processes, or systems.

3C. Will a policy or policies need to be created or updated, because of this bill?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If Yes, please describe what policies will need to be created or updated:

3D. Does the bill require DES to submit a report to the Legislature or another body?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If Yes, please describe the report requirements:

3E. If enacted, would this bill require a new rule or revise an existing rule?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If yes, identify the section of the bill and cite the affected rules:

4. Fiscal Impacts

4A. Estimate the annual fiscal impact.

- ☒ None
- ☐ Less than \$50,000
- ☐ More than \$50,000
- ☐ Uncertain

4B. Describe the fiscal impact and (if possible) quantify the impact DES's operational/administrative resources, including the types and extent of resources needed.

Provide Link to Fiscal Note:

5. Stakeholder Impacts (external to DES)

5A. Overall effect on stakeholders:

- ☐ Major
- ☐ Minor
- ☐ None
- ☒ Uncertain
- ☐ None

5B. Impacted Stakeholders

- ☒ State
- ☐ Local
- ☐ Federal
- ☐ Tribes
- ☐ Unions
- ☐ Other

5C. Describe the impacts on all stakeholders including agencies, boards, governments (local, state), unions or any other identified stakeholders.

The bill may have impact on owners of Tier 2 buildings.

6. Amended Bill Impacts

How does the current amended version you've been assigned differ in impact compared to the last version you looked at?

7. Recommendations

7A. Do you recommend that we testify on this bill?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

7B. If yes, on what issues?

7C. Proposed amendment(s):

7D. Should the bill be reviewed by the AG?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Is there any additional background that would be helpful?

Recommended Position

Neutral

Explanation

The SBCC has directed staff to select neutral unless the SBCC directs staff to do otherwise.

Recommended Priority

Monitoring

Explanation

As written, the bill does not affect the SBCC business; however, amendments during the legislative process may change this.

Attached Files

Is your review complete?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No